## MEMORANDUM PLACER COUNTY HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES Children's System of Care

TO:

Honorable Board of Supervisors

FROM:

Richard J. Burton, M.D., M.P.H.

Placer County Health Officer and Director of Health & Human Services

C.B. Bautista, Director of Children's System of Care

DATE:

May 9, 2006

SUBJECT:

Contract for Differential Response Early Intervention Services in the Tahoe Region

## **ACTION REQUESTED:**

Approve the agreement with Kings Beach Family Resource Center (KBFRC) for the term of July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2007 in the amount of \$60,000 for participation in Differential Response through the Child Welfare System Improvement Plan, and authorize the Chairman of the Board to sign this agreement on behalf of the County.

## **BACKGROUND:**

"Differential Response" is a partnership with community-based organizations to provide early intervention in an attempt to keep families from requiring more extensive public child welfare services. In our pilot project, out of 240 children referred for Differential Response service through a Family Resource Center, only 3 (or 1%) ended up requiring further public child welfare services. In comparison, over 7% of children being served who did not receive early intervention or Differential Response services were subsequently admitted to the public child welfare system. Under this agreement, the KBFRC will help CSOC build on resources and existing efforts currently underway through Child Welfare System Improvement Plan and Mental Health Services Act initiatives by providing Differential Response services in the Tahoe region.

The Kings Beach Family Resource Center has provided family services in Kings Beach and the greater Tahoe area since 2001. It has grown to offer a wide variety of family support services both providing services as well as providing a neighborhood facility for co-locating services of other agencies. Services provided on-site include family counseling, public health services, Women Infants and Children's (WIC) services, and financial, legal and medical assistance programs. Currently, the KBFRC offers services to over 2,000 families per year.

Differential Response services were planned to be implemented in Tahoe through an existing contract with the Child Abuse Prevention Council of Placer County (CAPC), which was subcontracting to KBFRC. However, upon receiving 501(c)(3) non-profit status earlier this year, KBFRC requested that the County contract with them directly and a new contract was developed to address that request. This reassignment caused a delay in having this contract presented to your Board for approval.

## **FISCAL IMPACT:**

The first year expenditure of \$30,000 is included in the CSOC FY 2005-2006 budget, with the remaining \$30,000 to be included in the FY 2006-6007 proposed budget. The contract is entirely funded by the State Department of Social Services.

The following contract for:

Kings Beach Family Resource Center for Differential Response Early Intervention Services

is on file with the Clerk of the Board for BOS meeting:

May 9<sup>th</sup> 2006

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